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SUBJECT: REPLY TO SOVIET STATEMENT ON WOHLRABE'S MILITARY SERVICE

REF: BERLIN 1356

FOLLOWING IS TRIPARTITLY-AGREED TEXT OF RESPONSE TO
SOVIET STATEMENT ON WOHLRABE'S MILITARY SERVICE THAT
US (CHAIRMAN) PROTOCOL OFFICER WILL DELIVER TO SOVIET
EMBASSY EARLY NEXT WEEK:

BEGIN TEXT. THE ALLIES ARE AWARE THAT THE ACTIVITY
TO WHICH THE SOVIET EMBASSY HAS REFERRED DID OCCUR.
CONSISTENT WITH OUR RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE SECURITY OF
BERLIN, WE CONTINUE FULLY TO UPHOLD LAW NO. 8 OF THE
ALLIED CONTROL COUNCIL IN THE WESTERN SECTORS. IN OUR
VIEW, HOWEVER, THE ACTIVITY IN QUESTION IS NOT IN
CONTRADICTION TO LAW NO. 8 OR OTHER ALLIED DEMILITARIZATION
LEGISLATION BECAUSE IT DID NOT OCCUR IN BERLIN. AN
INDIVIDUAL BERLINER REMAINS FREE TO VOLUNTEER FOR
MILITARY SERVICE PROVIDED HE PERFORMS NO MILITARY
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FUNCTIONS WITHIN BERLIN.

THE ALLIES WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OCCASION TO
STRESS THAT THEY CONTINUE TO DEPLORE THE REPEATED
VIOLATIONS OF THE DEMILITARIZED STATUS OF BERLIN BY
MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC
REPUBLIC. END TEXT.KLEIN

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